Meeting Notes - Treated Seed Petition Discussion with OGC (3/9/21)

3:15 PM to 4:00 PM; Microsoft Teams Meeting # 571-429-6099

Conference ID: 354 320 454#

Attendees:

EPA:

- PRD RMIB IV: Quinn Gavin, Sue Bartow, Maryam Muhammad, Julie Javier, and Linda Arrington (BC)
- OGC: Angela Huskey, Michele Knorr, and Erin Koch

Objective: To discuss the path forward for the treated seed petition and how it will affect the neonic decisions.

Discussion: Upon reviewing the treated seed petition OGC

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Background:

Previously, EPA and PMRA issued a joint statement on treated seeds. It states that if the
pesticide is protecting the seed, then the treated article exemption applies. Until now it has

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Issues associated with the seed petition

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OPP and NRDC had a conference call on 3/5/21. NRDC mentioned treated seeds and had three key points. These points could be vulnerabilities in the neonic IDs if they were mentioned in the

public comments

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Industry has made the argument that there are three parts to a seed. In their argument, they claim that one part of the seed is the 'baby' plant so any residues in the plant is really an extension of the seed.

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Additional Information to Consider

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